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Santa Late for Lions' Christmas Party

Monday night at Hirtle's Theatre, the Strathmore Lions Club held their Annual Christmas Tree party for all children of school age or younger, and entertained nearly all of the juvenile population and a good part of the adult section of Strathmore.

Due to a breakdown on the highway, Santa Claus was somewhat late in arriving, but movies and a bit of a sing-song led by J. A. Trench filled in quite well. When Santa finally did arrive, all the kiddies were delighted, and some were awed at his appearance. With the help of a number of Lions, he distributed his largesse to all in attendance, and then was called on to officiate in three draws.

The box of chocolates put up by the Hockey Club was won by Mrs. Holt, and the cake raffled by the same organization was won by Lee Welshimer. The huge Christmas stocking raffled

by the Boy Scouts, was won by Billy and Alban Trew, and everyone greatly enjoyed seeing them heft the stocking bigger than either of them, to their shoulders, and march off like two of Santa's elves.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONCERT JOYOUS AFFAIR

On Friday night the United Church Sunday School held their annual concert and Christmas tree. The Junior and Senior Departments of the Sunday School all acquitted themselves very creditably with choruses, recitations and solos, both vocal and instrumental, while the Explorer Group and the Intermediate Girl's class each presented a one-act play. The highlight of the evening was, of course, the arrival of Santa Claus, who very jovially distributed gifts and bags of candy and fruit.

Sunday morning the White Gift service was held at the United Church Sunday School, and a large number of gifts was collected to be sent to children of less fortunate Sunday schools.

GOOD POLL ON WATER CANVASS

Initial reports from the mayor and councillors on their polling of home owners in town give tremendous reassurance to those interested in installing water in Strathmore.

Nearly every business is interested in looking on, according to report, and many councillors are reporting all householders capable of using the facilities are signing, or all but one in some cases.

At the next meeting of the Council, it is likely those applications for service will be compiled, and if the number of applications comes up to what is considered a necessary minimum, the Council will then go ahead and prepare the steps requisite to placing a money by-law before the ratepayers.

CHANCELLOR BUS NEARLY COLLIDES

A near accident happened on the highway on Thursday morning due to the icy roads, when two cars travelling in opposite directions locked hind bumpers caused by skidding as they were passing. Our local bus was coming down the hill towards them and only by the drivers (G. Nielsen) skilful driving was a bad accident avoided, much credit is due him for his presence of mind.

Mrs. Hill of Tyrar Saskatchewan is visiting her daughter Mrs. L. C. Smith over the Christmas holidays.

Charles Christensen and family left on Saturday to spend a couple of months in Calgary.

Miss Betty Angel spent Christmas with her parents at Sundre.

The school house was filled to capacity on Friday evening when the children put on their Christmas concert, much credit is due the teacher and children for a very fine concert, the plays and carol singing were grand. A very sweet song was sung by Sylvia Busch and very much enjoyed. Santa did his stuff very well and caused many laughs. Many small children asked him to be sure and call at their homes on Christmas Eve.

Baby Milligan Passes

Thesympathy of the community is extended Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Milligan on the sudden death of their infant son James Stuart in a Calgary hospital Christmas morning.

Funeral services were conducted from the Park Memorial Chapel Friday, December 27 at 2 p.m., Rev. D. A. Ford conducting the service, Melnis and Holloway in charge of arrangements.

RURAL GLEICHEN

One of the older residents of Gleichen, Angus Robertson, passed away Thursday. He had taken an active part in the operation of the Gleichen Flour Mill for years, but retired last spring on account of failing health. The funeral was in Calgary at Jacques Funeral Home Monday afternoon. Our sympathy is extended to the relatives.

Thursday twin girls were born to Mr. and Mrs. M. Murray Jr. at a Calgary hospital.

There was a Christmas Concert and tree held at Meadowbrook Hall Friday evening. The Hall was filled to capacity, and old and young alike enjoyed themselves immensely. Santa provided bags for the children, and later a lunch was served. The program was put on by children from several schools.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Sammons are the proud parents of a baby girl born at a Calgary hospital on Thursday.

Arloa Quinell is home from Calgary for the Christmas holidays.

Saturday evening about forty friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Foster in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Maclean's twentieth wedding anniversary. During the social evening the guests of honor were presented with a beautiful set of Crystal. A delicious lunch was served at midnight.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilson, Bob and Ronnie, Mr. and Mrs. G. Hall and Patricia, and Mr. and Mrs. C. Tower and Donald Addison were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McArthur Sunday.

Mrs. Vern Green and infant son Marvin returned home from Bassano last week.

There will be Morning Prayer in St. Andrew's Church on December 29th, at 11 a.m. conducted by the Rev. D. A. Ford, B. A.

CARSELAND

By Miss H. McK.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Lemnox spent the week end at Carceland.

The annual Christmas Concert was held on December 20th. We extend congratulations to the school staff on their huge success. The songs, plays and Christmas carols entertained an unusually large crowd and the appearance of Santa Claus at the end of program thrilled dozens of small children. He joined the staff to distribute the great pile of gifts under the tree.

Mrs. Floyd Carey and her small daughters, Norma and Judy, arrived on Saturday night from Revelstoke to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Cole.

Kay McKinnon and Jim Mutch are home from school in Calgary to spend the holidays with their parents.

George Trent of the R. C. N. arrived home Friday night from Halifax on fourteen days leave.

The Carceland Junior Hockey Team played an exciting game in Strathmore last Thursday night. The victory was won by Strathmore after a tough battle in overtime by a score of 3-2. Better luck next time kids.

The Christmas meeting of the Ladies Aid was held at the home of Mrs. Don McKinnon on December 18. An usual gifts were exchanged by the ladies present. The president, Mrs. Melendy, who is leaving shortly for the States, was presented with a silver tea spoon in honor and appreciation of her long and faithful service in the Aid. Mrs. McKinnon made the presentation, following which the ladies enjoyed a very nice tea.

Miss Grace Zelink of Lethbridge and her brother Bill of Calgary, arrived home on Sunday to spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Zelink.

Crowd at Quaker Quiz

Over two hundred and fifty people gathered in the Memorial Hall last Monday to enjoy the Quaker Oats Pull-O-Pop Quiz and show. The group were entertained with several reels of

movies, some of which showed various differences in feeding of animals.

Under CFCN representatives Ted Brown and Jerry White, a group of contestants was called from the audience for the quiz contest, to be broadcast on the regular quiz on Thursday evening. Members of the audience called were Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Russell, of Cheadle, Mrs. J. D. Agar, George Van Verdoogen, John Thiesson, Mrs. Jack Bennett, Gordon Nelson and Laurence Way. The Green-back Question was pulled by Mrs. Bob Groves of Strathmore. The contest was recorded and used on broadcast facilities on Thursday evening.

COMING EVENTS

Regular Clinics for Infant and Pre-School Children are held by the Wheatland Health District from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Strathmore, the second and fourth Tuesday in each month. Carceland the second Friday in each month. Standard the third Thursday in each month. Rockyford the third Friday in each month.

Office hours are from 9-12 a.m. each Saturday. a22tf

The regular monthly dance will be held in the Chuny Hall on Friday, January 10th. Everybody is welcome, and a good time is assured. 1d26c

A series of three Bridge and Whist parties will be held in the Namaka Hall, the first one being January 8th. Wednesday at 8 o'clock. Prizes will be given for each evening, and grand prize for the series. 2d2p.

WEDDINGS

KERMACK—CRORY

A quiet but pretty wedding took place in the United Church, Strathmore, Tuesday, December 24th at 2 p.m. when marriage vows were exchanged between Alex E. Kermack and Hazel Irene, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Crory of Hussar and Strathmore, the Rev. A. Hamilton officiating.

The wedding music was played by Miss Frances Jones and during the signing of the register Miss Pat Hermonson sang very sweetly "Always". The bride, given in marriage by her father wore a very becoming suit of grey wool with black accessories and a corsage of pink roses.

Miss Lois Crory was bridesmaid for her sister. She chose for the occasion a coral suit with black accessories and small matching hat. Her corsage was also of pink roses.

Mr. Hiran Woldum was best man.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents where a buffet luncheon was served to about twenty five guests. The house was effectively decorated in pink and white streamers. The bride's table was centred with the wedding cake flanked by pink flowers and white cathedral tapers.

The toast to the bride was ably proposed by the best man, the groom happily responding.

Assisting in serving were Mrs. Lester Jones, Miss Frances Kostynuk and Miss Frances Jones.

After a brief honeymoon in Calgary the young couple will reside in Strathmore, their many friends extending all good wishes for much happiness.

FONGER—LAW

At a quiet ceremony on Christmas morning at St. Michael's Church Strathmore, Mrs. Edith Law of Chancellor was united in marriage with Mr. James Fonger of Strathmore, Rev. D. A. Ford officiating.

The bride was attended by Miss Mary Fonger, daughter of the groom, while the groom was attended by Mr. Jimmy Brown, guests including Miss Phyllis Fonger and Mrs. Jimmy Brown and Barbara.

After the ceremony a wedding breakfast was held at the Fonger home.

On Thursday, Mr. and Mrs. Fonger left on a two weeks honeymoon to Eastern Canada. They will celebrate New Years Day at the home of Mr. Fonger's father on the occasion of his 92nd birthday.

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You can be an official Canadian citizen after January 1, 1947. For the first time in nearly eighty years of life of the Dominion of Canada, Canadian citizenship becomes a legal reality. Up to the present we have been British subjects, but from New Year's Day we take our new status as Canadians. To mark the event, which is of some importance, the Federal authorities have asked for the observance of Canadian Citizenship Week

from January 5 to January 11. A special ceremony will be held in Ottawa and in the capitals of the provinces and other centres to mark this transition of Canadian citizenship, and the religious leaders are giving it their moral and physical support. There are also to be special ceremonies in many schools to commemorate the occasion. The whole business might be described as another stage in the growth of Canada. The B.N.A. Act in 1867

started us off. The Statute of Westminster in 1931 recognized what might be termed the official end of the Colonial period and the beginning of the Commonwealth era, and now the Citizenship Act makes us a nation in the technical sense. It could hardly be argued with any show of conviction that Canada is not now a nation. The record of the men and women who served through two world wars is sufficient answer to that, even if the enormous natural resources and substantial industrial and agricultural development of the country were not ample evidence of our maturity.

It might be the part of wisdom to take a glance at some of our disadvantages at this time, with a view to making some attempt to remove them. We are particularly vulnerable on the question of citizenship. We do not permit some British subjects to vote in Canada. They are denied that right in British Columbia, together with the Chinese and Japanese. This is not a healthy condition for a nation which is preparing to shoot a bit about its citizenship. In the Province of Quebec, a citizen has had his liquor license cancelled because he put up bail bonds for a number of other citizens who were charged in the courts with being members of Jehovah's Witnesses, a religious sect. This man was penalized for exercising a right which should be that of every citizen. These are provincial transgressions of democracy. We have made substantial financial contributions to the relief of Europe, but we have made no more than a gesture towards bringing to Canada some, at least, of the million displaced persons now living there without homes or hope, surely a place where our Federal government failed us. These are some of the things we should think on at this time.

We are a vigorous people and we have a glorious part of the globe committed to our trust. We believe with some justification that no finer country exists on earth. It is a great country with a great future, and much of that future lies in our own hands. There is still much work to do before the unpleasant things are eliminated and this great country of ours truly becomes what we hope it will be.

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HUSSAR

By Mrs. M. C. B.

On Thursday evening, the school children put on an excellent program and entertainment to a crowded hall; great credit is due the teachers, W. Wyrozub, principal, Miss Rankin, intermediate room, and Miss Kandt, primary for the high grade entertainment and the delightful manner in which the pupils rendered their parts. After this the tree and Santa Claus were the centre of attraction.

On Friday afternoon, a very successful sale of the household effects of S. W. Lawrie was held in the community hall.

On Saturday evening, many friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Schooling, on the occasion of their 25th wedding anniversary. An interesting program was enjoyed, with Mrs. Mary Clark, presiding. The party was treated to violin and piano duets by Mr. H. L. Moulton and Mrs. Gellinas and a piano solo by Miss Rita Gellinas; readings by Mrs. Lila Hans Buckschmidt, readings by Mrs. J. E. Bell, piano duets, the Misses Montgomery; songs by Mrs. Knudsen. Community singing preceded the mock wedding which was a very amusing affair, with Mrs. V. P. LeGrandeur as preacher, Mrs. W. Simmons, groom, Mrs. Warburton, best man; Mrs. E. J. Bell, the bride; Mrs. A. Law, flower girl, Mrs. H. A. Treend, bride's maid. Then Mrs. LeGrandeur, on behalf of their friends presented the couple with a lovely silver tea service. Both Mr. and Mrs. Schooling made fitting replies. This couple have spent their 25 years on their farm just south west of Hussar. Their one daughter Miss Lois Schooling, who is attending the University of Alberta, was unable to be present on this occasion. After a bountiful lunch, Mrs. E. F. Blake made a neat toast to the bride, and Mr. E. J. Bell made the one to the groom.

The committee in charge were Mrs. V. P. LeGrandeur, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Clark, Mr. and Mrs. H. Hadley, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Treend, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Bell and others assisted.

Hussar, December 22nd, Rev. Jorgensen, of Standard, held Christmas service in the school house on Sunday afternoon at 3.

STANDARD NEWS

There will be a "Song Service" Saturday, December 28th, at the church at 8 p.m. Everyone welcome. Lunch will be served afterwards.

Frances Louise were the names given to the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Jensen at a christening ceremony last Sunday morning. Mr. Bath and Margaret were the sponsors.

The Dorcas Society met at the home of Mrs. Jorgensen. A Christmas Program was given which had been prepared by Mrs. Margaret Larsen. Two new members joined Misses Margaret Jensen and Doris Fletcher. After a delicious lunch served by the hostess the meeting adjourned. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Betty Christensen.

Mrs. Wm. Petersen has returned from a trip to Denmark.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Jensen and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Jensen and Jackie have left to spend a few weeks visiting in Iowa, Michigan and Chicago.

All our young folks who attend school elsewhere and work in different places were all home for Christmas holidays.

Happy New Year Everybody.

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Local News Items

Mrs. Marcum left Sunday by bus to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Hand and sons at Lloydminster. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sowden will join the family group for the Holiday.

Mrs. Stuckney left Sunday for Vernon, where she will spend the Christmas week.

Mr. Hugh Berry and Mrs. Gladys Morgan and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Morgan will entertain at dinner Christmas Day their guests being Mr. and Mrs. Austin who will stay a few days. Rev and Mrs. Ford and Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Nichol.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Nichol and baby will go to Standard to spend Christmas with Mrs. Nichol's parents.

Miss Lazelle Souder arrived Friday for the Christmas Holiday.

Walter Boissevain is down from U. of A. for the Christmas vacation at his home.

Dr. and Mrs. Giffen and family are spending the holiday in Edmonton, guests of Dr. Giffen's Mother and sister.

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Little had a complete family reunion in Calgary on Christmas Day. All members including their four children with their husbands and wives and children were present, the party numbering fifteen.

Rev. and Mrs. Hamilton and children spent Christmas in Lethbridge at Mr. Hamilton's home.

Mrs. Kennedy left Wednesday for Vancouver called there by the serious illness of her sister.

Miss Mayhew arrived Thursday to be with Mr. and Mrs. Milligan and family for a couple of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Hilliard and two children of Carleton spent Christmas at the parental home in Strathmore.

Miss Jean Garrett left on Thursday night for Edmonton for a visit.

A quiet family dinner party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Posen on Tuesday evening to mark the occasion of their thirty-third wedding anniversary.

Miss Greta Nilsson of Calgary arrived in Strathmore on Friday morning to spend a month at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Nilsson.

Following a three week's vacation, Mr. Hugh Berry of the local bank staff arrived in town to go to work on Monday, and again on Friday, after spending the Christmas Holiday at home in Bassano.

Mrs. Edna Hughes is confined to bed with a severe cold these days.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Patrick left Christmas Eve for Revelstoke to spend the holiday with their son George and his family. They will be returning on Saturday.

Miss Jean Backs spent Christmas and Boxing Days with Mr. and Mrs. Martin Vossler of Brooks.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Jones of Donalds spent Christmas and Boxing Day with Mr. B. F. Jones and family.

Under The Street Lamp

by PAT O'HOLEY

This Christmas, we expect to see plenty of unbreakable dolls -- that is, unbreakable by an adult, says Len Wathen.

Heard George Anderson yesterday hoping that people would do their Christmas swapping early.

STOBART

Mr. and Mrs. George McBean and family drove to Makepeace Thursday night to attend the Christmas programme put on by their daughter Leona at the Makepeace school.

Mr. and Mrs. Pomroy attended the Christmas Tree programme put on by their daughter Margaret at the school east of Bozav Friday night.

Between fifty and sixty friends and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Foster Saturday evening to honor Mr. and Mrs. George McBean on their 20th wedding anniversary. A very enjoyable evening was spent at cards and sing song. After lunch was served, Tom Brown of Gleichen with a few well chosen words presented the couple on behalf of those present with a beautiful table service of goblets and sherberts in cut glass.

Wayne Bigalow and Elmer Douglas are spending a few days with friends and relatives at Raymond.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Duncan are spending the holiday season at Edmonton.

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By the father of Duvy J. Oleksyn, otherwise Metro Oleksyn, of Tuffield, Sask. who went to Strathmore, Alta. in 1936 as a farmhand and was employed there till the spring of 1938, and thereafter he has never been heard of. Anyone knowing my said son's whereabouts or any information about him please write to: Jacob Oleksyn, c/o M. Stechishin, K. C., Barrister, YORKTON, Sask.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of a dear Husband and Father, William P. Frederich, who died December 26th, 1942. Gone from us but leaving memories, death can never take away.

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Rev. Hamilton recently had occasion to use the services of Dr. Giffen, but the Doctor failed to send a bill.

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